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FIRST ACTUAL

Meeting Expected to Lay Real Groundwork of Structure to Be Presented Later to Formal Assembly.

Formal Assembly.

PARIS, Jan. 13.—The first actual session of the peace congress is being held today, although it is officially degret thous for laying the groundwork for the structure which will later be presented to the formal assembly of delegates of all the nations. Vesterday's meeting where and months.

These conversations will take up details of the program to be carried out—what subjects will be considered out—what subjects will be considered.

Today's meeting will probably deal with the important question of the organized to ward or whether the sessions will be under full observation of the world or whether which warlous matches will function, it is also expected to make a start toward a decision on one question uppermost in the public eye—whether the sessions will be under full observation of the world or whether having had been converted to make a start toward a decision on one question uppermost in the public eye—whether the sessions will be under full observation of a league of nations and the machine and the program of the content of the world or whether having had not a league of nations and the ambitions, local quarriels and rivalry for economic advantages among the furnishment of the first hings to be laid down for the preservation of peace.

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Federal Judge Holds Pitts burgh Man Is American Citizen.

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 13.-Charles F. Banning, wealthy Pittsburgh manufac-turer, who was interned at Fort Ogle-thorpe, Ga., as an enemy alien, today was ordered released from internment by Federal District Judge Newman, who granted habeas corpus proceedings brought by Banning, a native of Ger-

brought by Banning, a native of Germany.

Judge Newman sustained Banning's contention that he was an American citizen and therefore his internment was illegal. The government announced it would appeal the case and ball was set at \$10,006. Banning stated he would furnish ball in a few hours and return immediately to his home in Pittsburgh. During the trial he protested his loyality to the United States, saying his "anti-British feelings" when the war first started his got him into trouble. Banning came to America in 1884 and later was naturalized. He was taken in custody last fail by the department of instice for making remarks alleged to be derogatory to the government and army and on a claim that he had forfeited his citizenship by a return to Germany in 1906.

AIRPLANE WRECKED AS IT HITS PHONE WIRE

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Jan. 13.—An army airplane from Eberts field, in charge of Lieuts J. E. Boyd and S. M. Weissenhorn, was wrecked here late yesterday when the aviators tried to avoid striking children who ran in front of the plane as it was starting on of the plane as it was starting on a return flight. The plane struck a tele-pone wire 30 feet above ground. Neither flyer was hurt. The plane was shipped to Eberts field today.

TWO FLYERS KILLED

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NEW WIRE DIRECTOR IN CHARGE AT KNOXVILLE.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 13. (Spl.)

—Appointment as chairman of the operating committee of the United States telegraph and telephone administration in East Tennessee has been received by J. C. Duncan, president and treasurer of the Peoples Telephone and Telegraph service, of this city. Mr. Duncan will have supervision over the independent group of companies now convicted through the United States post-office department.

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Duncan will be that of introducing the
new toll rate system which is measured
on an airline mileage rate, and to inform the 100 operating exchanges in his
district of the new tariffs coming under the new orders issued from WashIngton.

NEGRO FINED \$35 FOR

PROBE INTO WRECK

New York Central Officials Confess They Are Mystified Over Apparent Unexplained Reasons for Fatal Crash.

Reasons for Fatal Crash.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Officials of this New York Central railroad today were continuing their investigation of the wreck at South Byron yesterday in which 21 persons were killed, and attempts were renewed to identify the 13 bodies still unknown. All the identified dead were from New York or nearby states.

Ballicad officers, who spent Sunday investigating conflicting statements regarding the collision of the Southwestern Limited with the rear sleepers on the Wolverine Limited, this morning declared they could see no explanation of the cause of the wreck.

John Friedley, of Buffalo, engineer of the Southwestern, maintained that no block signal was see against his train and that he saw no warning light until he was within a few car lengths of the Wolverine, which had stopped to take on an extra engine for a steep grade. In his statement he was supported by his fireman.

J. P. Dinan, superintendent of the western division, declared he could not exist in the accident.

"The flaggand," he said, "claims he went about 25 car lengths to the rear of his train to signal the second train. Toppedoes were also put on the track. The statement of Engineer Friedley differs materially from that of the flagman. He admits, however, the signals were set at danger when he went to look at them siter the accident."

Engineer Trusted.

Chicago Realty Man Hurt Near Memphis Recovers Memory

CHICAGO, Jan. 13.—Milan H. Hitch-cock, a suburban real estage dealer, missing since Nov. 20, returned home yesterday and told his relatives how he had lived in a daze since being struck by an automobile here until Jan. 9, when his mind became clear while he was in a hotel in Covington, Hitchcock had been an appraiser property proposed for an army hospital here known as the Speedway hospital, which was the subject of a recent army investigation.

Hun Air Raids on Britain Result in 5,511 Casualties

LONDON. Jan. 13.—In raids of the United Kingdom by the Germans during the war 5.511 persons were killed or injured, of whom 4.750 were civilians. An official summary of the casualties and bembardments from the sea shows these casualties among civilians:

Killed: 554 men, 411 women, 295 children. dren. Injured: 1,508 men, 1,218 women, 772 Children.
Three hundred and ten soldiers and sailors were killed and 551 were in-

BROWNSVILLE U. D. C. ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—A resolu-tion to record the senate as favoring withdrawal of American soldiers from Russia "as soon as practicable" was in-troduced today by Senator Johnson, of California, with an assertion that the United States government had no Rus-sian policy and was inviting disaster.

Given Important Post By French



GEORGE H. PEET.

George H. Peet, who has for months been "covering" diplomatic news in Washington for one of the leading news organizations, has been given a unique assignment by the French government. He has been appointed laison officer in Paris and his duties will be to give to the American correspondents whatever news is released by the French government.

together with the estimated amount beach, are: Alabama, \$1,000,000; Ken tucky \$1,500,000; West Virginia, \$16,000,000; Louisiana, \$4,674,000; Texas

It is believed by those interested in It is believed by those interested in highway construction here that the total amount which will be spent for this purpose during the next few years will not be less than a billion dollars. As fully one-half the amount so expended will be for labor, efforts are being made to induce the returning soldiers to take up roadbuilding as one of the industries to which they clin well afford to direct their attention.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 13 - Shouting

ngston, who was one of the most minent Confederate veterans of two county. The chapter voted to send \$25 for apport of the Gen. Bates bed for inded soldiers in France, and the which was sent some time ago for collection for the Jefferson Davis nument in Kentucky will be forward to the committee in charge with \$5 in the chapter. A light refreshment rise was served at the close of the eting.

OULD HAVE YANKS

TAKEN OUT OF RUSSIA

MANY HURT IN BLAZE.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. Jan. 13.—Several soldiers were seriously injured three firemen hurt and Chief Goetz malose his eyesight as the result of fire is government warehouse No. 16 thi

STEALING SIX CHICKENS NAVY'S BIG DIRIGIBLE

REBELS IN BERLIN

Silesian Railway Station, Where Spartacans Planned to Make Last Stand, Falls Before Attack of Troops Supporting Ebert.

BERLIN, Jan. 13. (By the Associated Press.) The Sile sian railway station, which was the last important Spartacan stronghold in Greater Berlin, now is in possession of the gov ernment forces.

The Spartacan forces, it now is learned, withdrew from the Boetzow brewery last night and prepared to make a last stand in the railway station on the east bank of the Spree, southeast of the former royal palace. The number of Spartacans at the station was estimated to be 600, including a number of women. The station and the approaches to it were strongly fortified with many machine guns.

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Among the various Bolshevik nests which have been cleaned out by government troops is the office of the Russion Bolshevik telegraph agency. Rosta, which served as Bolshevik propaganda headquarters and also had a large part in handling the Russian money furnished the Spartacans. Long lists of members of the Spartacus group and of anarchists were found. The personnel of the agency, which was composed mainly of Russians, made a brief resistance, but was easily overcome and arrested.

Spartacan handbills were taken away

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Spartacan handbills were taken away from a youth who distributing them in the streets, by an angry crowd. The address of the printer appeared on the Landbills, and the crowd went to his place. They found quantities of Beishevik literature, which they burned in the atreets.

TO PUBLIC ROADS

Federal Government Plans
\$300,000,000 for Work,
Soldiers to Have Jobs.

BY CHAS. HAVDEN,
WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (18)1.— bestmakes lare were present supplied for law house,
the Spartname were present or system of the state o

permission of the government also were stood up against a wall.

There are indications that the Spartacans have begun to realize the gravity of their situation. Their military leaders have resigned, and Police Chief Elichhorn is reported to have moved his headquarters. headquarters.

LONDON HEARS 1,300 REBELS HAVE BEEN SLAIN

LONDON. Jan. 13.—The armistice between the contending factions at Berlin has been broken, and fighting has been resumed, according to Copenhagen advices received here. The Spartacans are still in possession of pair of the Tageblatt building, it is said. Reports from Berlin indicate, it is reported, that the Spartacan forces have lost 1,300 killed since the outbreak of the revolution, and that there are many more wounded.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 13.—Shouting sedition from the rostrum at an open air meeting yesterday attempor, Bolshevik sympathizers numbering in the college of th

BERLIN, Jan 13. (By the Associated Press.)—Government forces have captured the police headquarters after a short hombardment. When the fighting began the troops fired a few shells and then waited to see what effect had been made upon the Spartacass. When the latter failed to show signs of yielding, fwo men were sent forward with a white flag, demanding the surrender of the Spartacass. They were fired upon and killed by the men holding the building.

Artillery fire then was resumed for a few minutes and the Spartacans began trying to flee. The solidiers thereupon stormed the building and took several hundred prisoners. No govern-

HENRY J. ALLEN BECOMES GOVERNOR OF KANSAS

(Continued on Page 12, Column 5.)

STEALING SIX CHICKENS

JONESBORO, Ark., Jan. 13. (Spl.)—
Joe Watson, negro, was tried in the police court Saturday on two charges of stealing chickens. In the first case he was fined \$10; in the second \$25 and ten days in jail. In default of payment he was committed to jail.

NAMED DISTRICT ATTY

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British Occupy Rebel-Held City

COPENHAGEN, Jan 13. British troops have occupied Dusseldort, which has been in the hands of the

U. S. SEED MEN SENT

BY CHAS. S. HAYDEN.

(Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (Spl.)—The United States. through the department of agriculture, is sending two experts to Europe to study the seed situation there. They are to tour England. France, Beigium, Italy, Holland and Denmark, obtaining data as to the supply and needs for clover, grass and vegetable seeds.

The men selected for this duty are Dr. A. J. Pieters, of the bureau of plant industry, and W. A. Wheeler, of the bureau of markets. Both of these men have sailed and probably have reached Europe by this time. The information which they obtain will be eabled back to this country and will be used by the department of agriculture, war trade board and other governmental agencies in shaping the export policy to various kinds of seed.

The indications are that the supplies to various kinds of seed now on hand a in this country will have to be conserved in order to maintain crop production. It appears, however, that the United States will have to incur the langer of a shortage of certain kinds of seeds in order that the pressing needs of the allied nations may be met.

U. S. AND BRITAIN PLAN TO GET ENEMY VESSELS

PARIS, Jan. 13.—American and British representatives will hold a conference with German admiraty authorities at Treves Wednesday for the purpose of acquiring possession of German and Austrian passenger ships for the transportation of troops. The United States will be represented by E. N. Hurley, chairman of the shipping board, and Admiral W. S. Benson.

It is proposed that America give Austria and Germany food for the ships. It is planned that the British will get smaller ships for the return of troops to Australia and Canada, while America will have the big boats, which will include virtually all the Hamburganian liners, including the Imperator. If this arrangement becomes of fective it will increase the flow of troops to America about 70.000 per month. This will make a total carpacity of shipping approximately 170,000 men each month.

AGED NEW YORKER STILL TOILS AT 103: NEVER TOOK A DRINK



Soldiers Call Silver

Bars White Feather

BY CHAS. S. HAYDEN.

America this week, to prepare for the celebration.
Other speakers Monday were fir T. E. Sharp on "General Plans." Fir W. H. Coleman on "Interession." and Dr. T. W. Lewis on "Tithior." John R. Penper, Dr. Nell and Mrs. Lissonab, the latter two from Nashville, are also on the procram of the one-day session. The night session will be desired almost exclusively to a storestion betwee, the pictures giving wire of life in Korea, Japan, Africa, and other places.

WILL ADDRESS ROTARY.

for Augustus R. Hatton will be the

of Indoor Forces

MILWAUKEE, Wise, Jan. 13 - Victor HIGH COURT KNOCKS OUT LIQUOR FOR DRY STATES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13. - The supreme court held today that the Reed "bone-dry" prohibition amendment prohibits interstate transportation into dry states of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes, even when intended for personal use.

As interpreted by the court, the law nullifies state statutes permitting limited amounts of liquor to be brought in for personal use.

Justice McReynolds, in a dissenting opinion, concurred in by Justice Clark, declared the Reed amendment was not and interstate commerce regulatory measure, but a direct intermeddling with a state's affairs and beyond federal power.

the governor deems wise and less.

The first bill to be introduced under this program, said Gov. Roberts, will be a measure for the equalization of taxes, and with P goes a companion measure inaugurating the sliding scale of rates for taxation. As the assessment

IN HARBOR STRIKE

of the po-t.

Private owners of New York harbor boats refused today to submit their side of the controversy for decision by the war labor board.

LOOK INTO QUESTION OF TAKING OVER SHIPS WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 - Legal offi-

ly is not contemplated, as the govern-nent probably has sufficient facilities already under control for its own needs

WANTS CO-OPERATION AMONG THREE STATES

Plans for the co-operation of the agricultural experts of Tennessee, Mississippi and Arkansas in the farm development program of the Membris Chamber of Commerce are expected to be the outcome of a conference which has been called for Jan. 24 in this city. The conference was called by Dr. E. R. Lloyd, director of the Chamber of Commerce bureau of farming and will consist only of the agricultural extension sist only of the agricultural extension sist only of the agricultural extension with them. R. S. Wilson has been involved to represent Mississiph, C. A. Keffer Tennessee and Prof. G. W. Laes siter Arkansas.

White Yard Crews Say They Can No Longer Work With Negroes Who Are Becoming

NO VIOLENCE OFFERED BY STRIKING YARDMEN

Worse All the Time.

Illinois Central, Yazoo and Mississippi Valley and Frisco Roads Affected-Other Roads Expect Strike.

With more than 140 white awitchmen from three Memphis railroads having waiked out and prospects of an additional 50 or 60 going out by nightfall, because they refuse to work with negroes, approximately 75 per cent of the freight traffic in and out of the city is at a standstill Monday.

About 85 white switchmen left their work at the illusis festral and Y. & M. V. depot late Saturday afternon and Sunday night at 7.15 o'clock the entire yards crew of the 81 Louis & San Francisco, numbering 25 men, followed suit.

Negroes Can't Move Traffic.

The negro crews of the idle engines Monday are still at work, but are untable to move traffic, consequently the branch line on which 75 per cept of the mills and factories are situated are stopped.

J.E. Hutchison, of Springfield, Mo., general superintendent of the Frisco, arrived in Menuphis Monday morning and called a meeting of the awitchmen of that road in an effort toward reconcillation. With him came P. O. Wood, superintendent of the Birmingham, Ala, terminals.

A conference of an hour at the Frisco depot Monday morning between Hutchison, Wood and about 25 of the striking switchmen, avalled nothing and Supt. Futchison immediately wired for J M. Kurn, of St. Louis, general minager of the Prisco lines. Kurn probably will arrive Monday night.

At the conference Monday morning, the switchmen told Hutchison of their complaints against negroes as members of switching crews. Various ones of them told of specific difficulties where regroes roundly cursed them and at other times threatened them with switch lanterns or pistols Many of these negroes, they declared, had been reported to headquarters, only to have them transferred imstead of discharged.

Staff Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON Jan II ISBUA The
order requiring the weating of the silver chevron, issued some days ago by
the secretary of war, has been produtive of much dissatisfaction among Negroes Becoming Rougher. the negro switchman was arreste Sunday, it is charged, with a piste

THREE MEN LOST IN RESCUE FROM SHIP

METHODISTS PLAN
BIG CENTENARY

Representatives of 46 Methodist churches in the Memphis district gathered in session at the First church Monday morning to cultime specific plans for the celebration of the centennial of American Methodists missions and for the raising of a fund of \$250,000, the local grants of the \$35,000,000 recently decided mion by Southern Methodists for a five-year mission fund.

The meeting enemed at 10 o'clock with Dr. T. E. Sharp, presidence elder, endering the invocation. More than 75 decigates from Shelby county are in attendance.

A Historiesl Statement of the Contents, was the torde of Dr. W. J. Mecox of Martin, Tenn, intesionary secretary for the conference. In this he told of the history of Methodist missions since 1812, when Bishop McKendree are willing the worthern was left on April 5 1819, and Bishop McKendree was elected president of the missionary council. Bishop Roberts as second vice president and Rishop Roberts as second vice president. On April 5 1819, and Bishop McKendree was elected president. HALIFAX, N. S. Jan. 13 - Wireless dispatches from vessels standing by the United States shipping board stamming Castalin, which has been in distress off the coast of Nova Scotia since early Saturday morning, brought news that the rescue of 44 of the crew had begun shortly after 2 a.m. today and that one of her lifeboats containing 17 men had capsized and three were drowned

ARREST 7 SMUGGLERS OF ARMS TO MEXICO

TUCSON, Ariz., Jan. 13. Seven prom-nent Mexican and Mexican-American esidents of Tucson and Douglas were prested here today by federal authorident.

On Ancil 5, 1919, the first 100 years of missions will have ussed and it is to relebrate this occasion that a series of meetines in being beld all over America this week, to prepare for the

RIVER BILL PASSED WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The house today proceed, 228 to \$1, the annual river and harbor bill carrying \$26,900,000.

THE WEATHER

Mississippi—Partly cloudy, warmer to east: Tuesday unsettled, probably rain. Arkansas—Partiy cloudy somewhat colder in northwest. Tuesday generally fair, somewhat colder in west and central.

Alabates - Partly cloudy and warmer; Tuesday unsettled, probably followed by rain: Louisiana Generally fair in east, In-creasing cloudiness in west warmer Er east and south. Thesday cloudy, rain in west.

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